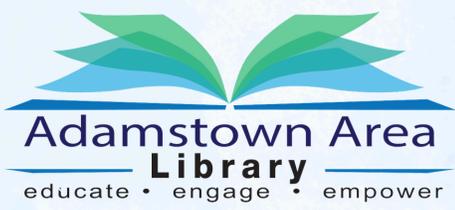


Monthly Newsletter

January 2026



Jan. 2026 Hours

New hours, same great library! Begins 1/2/26

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| Monday | 9 AM to 7 PM |
| Tuesday | 9 AM to 7 PM |
| Wednesday | 9 AM to 7 PM |
| Thursday | 9 AM to 7 PM |
| Friday | 11 AM to 4 PM |
| Saturday | 9 AM to 4 PM |
| Sunday | Closed |

Holiday Closures

- Thursday, January 1st (New Year's Day)
- Monday, January 19th (MLK Day)

Farm Show Butter Sculptures: Tuesday, Jan. 6 at 6 PM

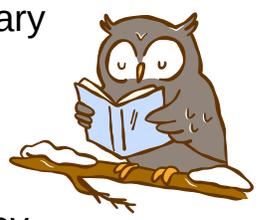
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Teen Pizza and Puzzle Mystery "Murder at Bedford Manor": Tuesday, Jan. 20 at 12 PM

This CHS day off school will be a delicious experience as we enjoy Two Cousins Pizza, piece together the jigsaw, read the mystery story, and solve a murder. Must register by Jan. 19.

Friends Book Sale is Back!

The book sale resumes Tuesday, January 6 at 9 AM.



Now running EVERY Tuesday from 9 AM to 7 PM.

January Events Schedule

Check out our website for the latest updates at adamstownarealibrary.org

Thursday, January 1

Library Closed

The Adamstown Area Library is closed on New Year's Day.

Monday, January 5

LEGO® Activity Bag Pickup

Every 1st Monday of the month there will be a new LEGO® packet for you to pick up, with instructions for a special project. One per family please while supplies last. For ages 5-12.

Mah-Jongg Group 1PM-3:30PM

Experienced players as well as people wanting to learn are invited to drop in to play Mah-Jongg every 1st Monday of the month. For adults and teens..

Tuesday, January 6

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Wednesday, January 7

Young at Heart at 9AM

REAL Life Community Services invites you to Young at Heart, with free events for anyone age 60 and up. Join us at the library for coffee, chatting, games, crafts, and more on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month. For more information, call 717-336-7797 or visit REALLCS.org.

"Budding Bookworms" Preschool Storytime at 10AM and 11AM

See page 5 for details.

Doggie Downtime at 10:45AM

Do you need some tail-wagging tranquility in your life? Gaze into Twinkle's big, beautiful, calming eyes to help wash your troubles away! Drop-in event for all ages. Parents, please plan to attend and be engaged with your child for this program. Drop-offs will not be permitted.

Connect with a Social Worker at 11:30AM

Are you facing challenges or seeking support in your life? A licensed social worker from REAL Life Community Services is here to help! Regular hours are every other Wednesday from 11:30-2PM in the library's community room. To make an appointment, call Becca at 717-336-7797 or email her at becca@realcs.org. REAL Life Community Services serves residents of Cocalico School District.

Thursday, January 8

"Twinkling Stars" Baby Storytime at 10AM

See page 5 for details.

"The Young and the Restless" Toddler Storytime at 11AM

See page 5 for details.

Monday, January 12

American Girl Bag Pickup

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Tuesday, January 13

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LEGO® Build Off at 5:30PM

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Wednesday, January 14

"Budding Bookworms" Preschool Storytime at 10AM and 11AM

See page 5 for details.

Thursday, January 15

"Twinkling Stars" Baby Storytime at 10AM

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"The Young and the Restless" Toddler Storytime at 11AM

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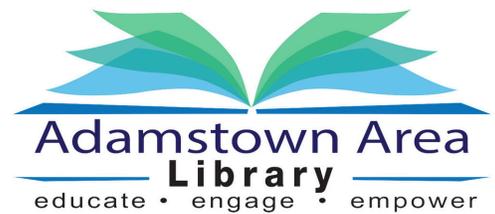
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Join Miss Jess as we discover together "Whodunit!" Upon registration, you will receive the Zoom link and the Mini Murder Mystery Story. Additional clues and evidence will be revealed during our meeting to solve the crime together. For ages teens and adults due to some graphic content.

Key to Events:

- Adult Program
- Children Program
- Teen Program
- Everyone Program

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Wednesday, January 21

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■ Library Board Meeting from 6:30PM-8PM

Adamstown Area Library Board of Directors meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm

Thursday, January 22

■ "Twinkling Stars" Baby Storytime at 10AM

See page 5 for details.

■ "The Young and the Restless" Toddler Storytime at 11AM

See page 5 for details.

Monday, January 26

■ Teen Spice of the Month

Every 4th Monday of the month. Young adults that like to cook and bake can pick up a packet at the desk that includes this month's spice, recipes, and more. Library staff would love to taste your culinary adventure! January's spice is Cumin. One packet per teen family while supplies last.

■ "Barn Owl" Discovery Drop-in 10AM-4PM

Every month, we will use our senses to explore a different Pennsylvania Game Commission Kit of pelts, wings, skulls, claws, books, activities, and other manipulatives. All ages.

■ Book Club 5PM-6PM

Join us at Adamstown Area Library for our monthly Book Club! Share your thoughts on this month's book and get to know other readers in your community. All are welcome, regardless of whether you've finished the book. For our January meeting, we'll be reading *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon. Copies of the book are available through our online catalog or by calling or visiting a branch. Registration recommended.

Tuesday, January 27

■ Friends Book Sale 9AM-7PM

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Wednesday, January 28

■ "Budding Bookworms" Preschool Storytime at 10AM and 11AM

See page 5 for details.

■ Ephrata Police Visit at 10AM and 11AM

Officer Bronne Bruzgo from the Ephrata Police Department will be a guest reader during Budding Bookworms Storytime. Children can enjoy stories, craft, and a tour of the police cruiser.

■ Castañeda's Library Fundraiser

On the last Wednesday of each month, 10% of all proceeds at Castañeda's Mexican Restaurant in Denver will go to the Adamstown Area Library! (excludes alcohol). Dine-in or take-out that day to enjoy great food while supporting the library! 323 Main Street, Denver.

■ Wildlife Wednesdays 6PM- 7PM

Every month, the Lancaster County Parks & Rec Dept. will teach us about different wildlife and environmental topics. We will be covering a wide range of topics, so be sure to check out our upcoming events! January: World's Most Unusual Animals. All ages.

Thursday, January 29

■ "Twinkling Stars" Baby Storytime at 10AM

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General Programming

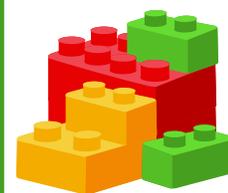


Touch a Heart Valentine Collection

All month we will be collecting your handmade cards to distribute to nursing home residents, veterans, soldiers, caregivers, and hospital patients. Pick up any needed supplies at the library and drop off your completed cards in the library foyer or book drop by Feb. 3. The library will deliver to Blue Ridge for their Touch A Heart Campaign.

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Kids' Corner

Adamstown Area Library January Programming

Early Childhood Storytimes

"Budding Bookworms" Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays, Jan. 7, 14, 21, & 28.

10:00 AM-10:45 AM or 11:00 AM-11:45 AM

Enjoy stories and an easy craft for ages 3-6 with adult.

"Twinkling Stars" Baby Storytime

Thursdays, Jan. 8, 15, 22, & 29.

10:00 AM-10:30 AM

Simple stories, rhymes, puppets, songs, and fingerplays. For babies with an adult.

"The Young and the Restless" Toddler Time

Thursdays, Jan. 8, 15, 22, & 29.

11:00 AM-11:30 AM

Stories, songs and fingerplays, followed by an easy craft and free play. For toddlers with an adult.

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Fluff the Cow Adoption



For the next 3 months, our patrons will watch our adopted cow "Fluff" get "so big!" From her home at Kurtland Farm in Elverson, PA, we will follow her journey of growth, care, and milk production. Stop in the children's room often to see updated pictures and information.

"Nursery Rhyme" Play & Learn Center

Stop in the library to enjoy our story corner Play & Learn Center. It's a great place to hang out for some educational fun with toys, puppets, vocab, figures, blocks, and more all with a "Mother Goose" Theme.

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